

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Foreign Documents Division

SUBJECT: Political Survey of the Soviet Press

25X1A 1. The attached memorandum from the Assistant Director for
National Estimates expresses the hope that the type of work being
done by [REDACTED] will be on a continuing basis. However, the
25X1A main question in my mind is have we someone who can carry on this
work after [REDACTED] is recalled to ONE.

25X1A 2. It seems to me that this work should be discussed by
the [REDACTED] Committee as it may touch on similar work being done
by our Embassy in Moscow as well as by commercial organizations
in this country.

3. Will you please forward me a sample copy of the survey
as mentioned in paragraph 2 of the attached memorandum.

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1. We have received from [REDACTED] a sample copy of the proposed political survey of the Soviet press. It seems to us to be a valuable contribution to intelligence on the USSR, and we hope that WDD can make it a regular part of its output.

2. Having examined the sample in some detail, we feel that its coverage is considerably more relevant to the problems of Soviet politics than other governmental and non-governmental surveys. Its concentration upon regional reporting and upon internal party affairs fills two notable gaps and is particularly useful in estimative intelligence.

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3. Our Soviet analysts have discussed matters of form and content with [REDACTED] proposing changes which would adapt the product more closely to our needs. We would hope to have an opportunity to discuss subsequent issues and to maintain working-level contact in order that the survey may continue to be of maximum utility to us.

SHERMAN KENT
Assistant Director
National Estimates

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